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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2002 (Paper No. 4), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

35 Paragraph Commencing at Page 3, Line 28:

An advantageous device comprising a spatially adaptive microcontact structure for neuroprostheses for implantation at nerve tissue embodies the feature that the microcontact structure can be produced as a planar, two-dimensional structure using